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Season — Bellary — Bellary Tlk — Report under [illegible] of the Famine code — submitted to Govt.

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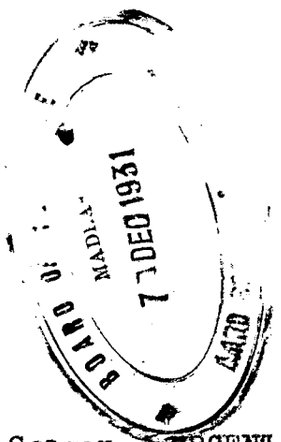

From (Name) A. Galletti Esq., M.A.,I.C.S.,

(Designation) Collector of Bellary

Post Box ....., (Station) Bellary

Telegraphic Address .....

To The President,

District Board,

Bellary

C. *No.* ~~6504/31/A.3~~ *dated* ~~5.12.31~~ 19

Sir,

Season - URGENT

Season - Bellary Taluk - ordinary public works - extension - to provide labour -

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We have already twice discussed the above question together and I now write to confirm what I siad.

2. Owing to the failure of rain in Bellary Taluk, a failure of crops is apprehended in certain parts of it. The Tahsildar of Bellary has reported that labourers are migrating in many villages in search of employment, that mahazars for starting famine works are coming in and that the time has arrived for starting test works in Kurugodu firka. Ryots of Kurugodu firka villages have submitted a mahazar requesting that the road from Kurugodu to Yemmiganur may be taken up so as to provide employment to the labouring classes in the affected villages. The ryots of Moka and Kurugodu have also come to me in large numbers and asked for the opening of works to give them employment. I have instructed the Revenue Divisional Officer, Bellary and Tahsildar, Bellary to send me a detailed report under article 35 of the Famine Code.

3. I invite your attention to article 33 A of the Famine Code which requires local boards to expand their programme of ordinary works in the affected tract by the inclusion of additional works such as the construction and repairs of roads and cart tracks and other works likely to

to provide employment for unskilled labourers. I request you to arrange to take up road work to provide employment for labourers near Kurugodu and Koka under the estimates which we have ready for the contingency and ~~whether~~ which we have examined and consulted the District Board Engineer about. Please take measures at once and inform me of the measures taken by you.

4. I am prepared to recommend to Government that the whole or part of the expenditure should be met by grants from Government if you can prove to me that the District Board will not be able to provide the necessary funds.

5. I have promised the Kurugodu petitioners to go to Kurugodu on Sunday the 6th myself and inspect their fields etc. It would be convenient if you could accompany me or depute the District Board Engineer. The Tahsildar will accompany me. I shall be going to Koka tomorrow.

Sd/-

For Collector

R.V. 5.12.

Copy to the Revenue Divisional Officer, Bellary and Tahsildar, Bellary

the Secretary, Revenue Department, Madras.

the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue & Settlement, Madras.

the Director of Agriculture, Madras.

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DEPARTMENT.

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From (Name) A.M.A.C. Galletti Esqr. M.A., I.C.S.,

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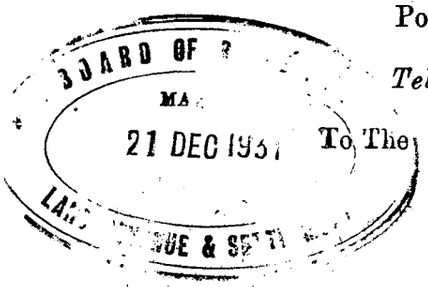

To The Secretary to the Commissioners

Land Revenue & Settlement,

Madras.

C. *No.* 6504/31. *dated* 18th Dec. 1931

Sir,

CLOSURES .....

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Season -- Bellary Taluk - Report under Sec. 55 of the Famine Code.

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In continuation of my reference C. No.6504/31-A-5. dated 5-12-31 I submit my report under Sec. 55 of the Famine Code.

2. The tract affected is the whole Bellary taluk; the area worst affected is that between Kurugodu and the Siruguppa road on the east and the Hospet road on the south.

3. Any serious deficiency of rainfall or cultivation.-- The rainfall recorded during the year in Bellary and Kurugody ~~xxxx~~ raingauge stations has been furnished in the statement enclosed to my report Ref. C.No.6504/31 dated 9-12-31. Both the South West and North East monsoons were disappointing. With the rains in May and June 31 cultivation of mungari crops viz., Sajja, korra, groundnut, cottong etc, was begun. There was very little rainfall in July and August. Consequently the ryots were not able to continue the mungari sowings. I rode round about Kurugodu in August and found that very little land had been sown or even ploughed. The early sown crops also were injuriously affected. The extent of mungari crops cultivated during the year was 39,878 acres as against 56,418 acres cultivated up to the end of August last year. The North East mon-

began in second week of September. The rainfall in October was only 2.47 inches (11.76 inches last year). Good rain was needed in November to enable the ryots to complete the hingari sowings and to improve the standing crops, but it did not come.

4. The extent of hingari crops cultivated up to the end of November was 2,73,416 acres (2,77,036 acres). The ryots, in fact hopefully sowed nearly the normal area though for want of early rain they could not start early enough. An extent of 3620 acres was not cultivated owing to the withholding of rain from October onwards. The total area cultivated up to the end of November was 3,13,294 acres (3,33,454 acres last year).

5. General Failure of Crops.- The Revenue Divisional Officer, Bellary who has toured throughout the taluk and inspected the standing crops reports that food crops have practically failed in all the villages and the yield of the mungari or early crop was not more than 5 annas in several villages. Of the late crops the standing korra and white cholum crops are, he reports, withering in almost all villages. Cotton appears green but it is not likely to yield. Besides cotton and white cholam are reported to have been affected by disease (Black fungus, white fungus) and firefly. I can generally confirm the above summary from my own observations but I take a more hopeful view of the cotton crop, especially after some rain to (45 cents) which we had on the 15th and I think some of the korra may be saved. The cholum is worst; when it has come up at all it is sparse and stunted.

6. Abnormal rise in prices.- There is no rise in the price of food grains, and other commodities. On the other hand there is a fall in prices as compared with the last year, owing to the world wide crisis.

7. Extraordinary mortality, or disease among cattle.- The condition of cattle is good. here is no unusual mortality among cattle. But as the cholum has failed fodder will fall short by the hot weather and by way of precaution I have obtained an allotment of Rs.20,000 from the Board for fodder loans. Applications for fodder loans are pouring in but I suspect most of the applicants of trying to get money for other purposes and have directed the Tahsildar to go slow and only grant loans when and if he is satisfied that a ryot has really exhausted his cholum stack.

8. Employment.-- Employment is not available for the labouring classes especially in Kurugodu and Moka firka villages which are most affected. Labourers are reported to be migrating to Mysore and the Nizam's dominions in search of work. I have received many petitions from affected villages for the opening of road works and large deputations from several villages have waited on me clamouring for work. The President District Board Bellary reports that the famine work - Kurugodu-Yemmiganur road is being taken up. His application for an advance of Rs.20,000 has been forwarded to Government through the Board with my endorsement C.No.6504/31-A-5. dated 15-12-31. I have asked him to start two more famine works (1) Bellary-Holagundi road (2) Moka-Hagari road. The District Board Engineer is also thinking of providing work in carting sand and gravel from a large deposit to all his roads.

9. Previous history of the tract.- The failureof crops in the Bellary taluk is normal and may be said to occur as often as not. There was failure in faslies 1332, 1333, 1336 1338, 1340 - five out of the last 10 years.

C.K.R.18-12-31. For Collector.

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R. F. XXII-A-19—30,004—2-2-31 (6)

FOR MEMBER.

Season - Bellary - Bellary Tal
- Relief under Sec 35 of the Famine
code - Submitted to Govt.

READ AGAIN B. P. No ,dated 193

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READ ALSO :—

Register No. 7513 From the A No , dated 193

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RESOLUTION. Mis No. 4117, dated 23.12 193

Submitted to Govt. in
continuation of B.P Mis. No.
4068 dated 18.12.31.

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2. ~~It will be observed tha~~
Only two fiscals are in an
~~that~~ the conditions
in the tract are apparently
no worse than they are in
practically every alternate
year. The fact that ——
labourers are migrating
to Mysore and H.E.H. the
Nizam's Dominions does not
in the Bd's opinion, give serious cause for
in itself ~~a signal of alarm~~

alarm – ~~on the contrary~~ it is all to the good as it will provide work to the ~~unemployed~~. The District Board will presumably give work to the people in the affected tract. The Board considers that apart from that no special measures are necessary at this stage

BB
23/12/31

RK
23.12.31

Atkf 23.1231.

To the Secy. to Govt. R.D

Chk
23/12/31 ~~Govt. of India Govt. Representative~~

NOTES

Famine – Ballary – Ballary taluk – Ordinary – public works – Extension to provide labour – copy of letter to the President Dist. Board

F 7083/3,

To S

Submitted for perusal. The Coll.'s report under §35, called for separately, may be awaited. (A copy of the letter on the C.f. has been sent to Govt.)

[file with me]

5.12.31

9.12.31

Asst. 9.12.31.

Ind. Asst. 9.12.31.

SESY.
9 DEC 1931

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D.O. no 846 d. 17.12.31

My dear Galletti

Season Bellary

talk - Scarcity

My D.O. no. 810 d. 3-12-31

and your C. nos. 6504/31-A-5

d. 5th and 15th Dec. 31.

I am to request you to let me know, for the above information of the Commr., the present state of the season in the Bellary taluk and to enquire when a report under § 35 of the Famine Code may be expected.

Yours sincerely

C.G. 17.12.31.

C.W. 14/12/31

To A.C. Galletti Esq M.A.I.C.S

Coll. of Bellary.

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17 DEC 1931

Issue at once
Secy wants f.c
in 5 minutes

KG
17.12.31
10 A.M.

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To S

Please see the collrs report under sec 35 of the Famine code at pp 3-5 of P. A copy of the report may be submitted to Govt.

2. It will be seen from the last para of the collrs report that at the present scarcity is more or less an expected event. There do not appear to be yet any "alarm signals" which would necessitate the immediate visit of the Commr. Vide sec 46(h) - p15 of the code.

3. It is however for consideration whether the collr may be asked to send special fortnightly reports about the state of the season and the relief afforded to workers in the newly started works

22 DEC 1931

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The report reveals the fact that only 2 persons in one Taluk are in any way seriously affected & it is absurd to suppose this as a famine. Further omissions are apparently no worse than they are every alternate year! As to Inspection, it is all to the good & it seems to me that special works are unnecessary in the small area affected. However the D.C. can see to it & I can work to those in need if it so much the better. Apart from that, no special measures are needed.

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To: S

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Draft submitted

Redraft: MD's comments to be included

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Revised draft submitted

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Famine - (Bellary) - Bellary Taluk - Collector's report under section 35 of the Famine Code.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. Ms. 387 **dated** 17th February **193** 2

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READ the following paper:—

From the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue and Settlement No. Mis. 4117 dated 23rd December 1931.

O R D E R:-

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(By Order of the Governor in Council).

J.A. Thorne.

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue and Settlement.

F o r w a r d e d.

(By Order)

File with B.P 4117 Mis (2) dated 23.12.31

22-2-32

D.I.

Superintendent.